



PATENT

Our Docket: P-CW 5196

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
Shukti Chakravarti)
Serial No: 09/694,758)
Filed: October 23, 2000)
For: GENE EXPRESSION PROFILING)
OF INFLAMMATORY BOWEL)
DISEASE)

Examiner: S. Tizio

Group Art Unit: 1627

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 12, 2002, consideration of the following remarks is respectfully requested. A response was originally due on March 12, 2002. Applicants submit with the payment for an extension of time for two months, the present response is timely filed.

REMARKS

The Office Action alleges that the application is directed to eleven independent and distinct inventions. Provided below are the eleven inventions set forth in the Office Action.

Claims 1 to 18 have been restricted into the following groups: